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1. The amendment filed on 03 January 2008 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) entered.
- b) entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.
- d) disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) entered in part. See explanation below.

The instant amendment after allowance introduces new claims; further, Applicant fails to provide the requisite reasons on which reliance is placed to show: (A) why the amendment is needed; (B) why the proposed amended or new claims require no additional search or examination; (C) why the claims are patentable; and (D) why they were not presented earlier.

The proposed amendment would require more than a cursory review of the record.

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